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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jaffee et al

Art Unit: 1771

Serial No. 10/718,802 <sup>007 ff</sup>

Case Docket No. 7303

Filed: November 20, 2003

Examiner: Torres Velazquez, Norca Liz

For: **METHOD OF MAKING TOUGH, FLEXIBLE MATS AND TOUGH, FLEXIBLE MATS**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

**Rule 1.116 Amendment and Request for Reconsideration**

In response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2006, please amend the first paragraph of page 1 of the specification as follows: